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TYPICAL SOVIET/COMMUNIST MOVES IN NEWLY-EMERGING NATIONS

NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT	
I PRE-	

PHASE OF

INDEPENDENCE

COUNTRY CHARACTERISTICS

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- Colonial status. 1.
- Increasing nationalism.
- Agitation for Early independence.

KEY SOVIET **OBJECTIVES**

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Identification of bloc as champion of independence.

- 2. Encouragement of anti-Western outlook.
- 3. Organizational preparation to exploit future independence.

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OFFICIAL SOVIET STATE ACTIVITY

- 1. Statements and propaganda welcoming independence, advertising "friendship for exploited peoples".
- 2. Exacerbation of friction with administering power e.g. in Trusteeship Council.
- 3. Survey of country conditions e.g. visit under UN auspices, questions in Trusteeship Council.
- 4. Expanded studies in the USSR about country.

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UNOFFICIAL SOVIET SUPPORTED ACTIVITY

- 1. Preparation of Party cadres e.g. cells in trade union or youth groups, indoctrination in USSR.
- 2. Contacts with local nationalists including exiles.
- 3. Non-official radio and other extremist propaganda directed. to country.
- 4. Activities to discredit moderate elements.

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DEVELOPMENT	

II EARLY STATEHOOD

COUNTRY CHARACTERISTICS

1. Independence granted.

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- New government lacks administrative competence and organization.
- Strong expectation of economic development.
- International recognition and prestige are a primary aim.

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KEY SOVIET OBJECTIVES

- 1. Establishment of bloc presence.
- Identification of USSR as source of economic and political support.
- Weakening or disruption of Western economic and political ties and promotion of neutralism.

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OFFICIAL SOVIET STATE ACTIVITY

- Rapid diplomatic recognition.
- Quick offers of trade and aid; trade mission established.
- 3. Exchange of official visits.
- 4. Cultural exchange, scholarship programs, etc. to mould opinions of the local elite.
- Increase in official propaganda to and concerning area e.g. radio, publications.
- Encouragement e.g. by propaganda and "technical advice", of national measures to restrict Western influence, exclude foreign capital, discourage foreign investment.
- Flattering attention e.g. publicity to local heroes and achievements.

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SOVIET SUPPORTED ACTIVITY

- Communists remain in background; support nationalist leadership.
- Coalition of extremist elements in a "national democratic front" to apply left-wing pressure on government.
- First efforts to place agents and malleable officials in key organizations e.g. police, press and information, agrarian reform, education, trade unions.
- 4. "Black" propaganda effort to arouse country against West and "imperialist agents".
- Friendship societies, to promote cultural, economic and other ties with bloc, and penetrate key strata.

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PHASE OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

III RELATIVE STABILITY A

COUNTRY CHARACTERISTICS

- State machinery is tolerably efficient.
- Government of one man or single party retains popular support.
- Economic development and international recognition continue to be central objectives.
- 4. Opposition cliques exploit social tensions in bid for power.

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KEY SOVIET OBJECTIVES

- 1. Reinforcement of bloc presence and diplomatic influence.
- 2. Promote neutralism and frustrate Western efforts to develop new relationships with the area.
- 3. Iay basis for future Communist leadership of "national revolution".

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OFFICIAL SOVIET STATE ACTIVITY

- 1. Encouragement of economic realignment e.g. trade and payments agreements; purchase of critical surpluses; under-selling or out-bidding Western competitors.
- Area economic surveys made and development projects begun e.g. dams, roads, factories.
- 3. Increase in bloc personnel in country e.g. as advisers, Russian language and vocational school teachers, technicians, etc.
- Play for sympathy of the military e.g. by training missions, sales of equipment.
- Identification of pro-Soviet anti-Western moves with "peaceful coexistence" e.g. to promote support for bloc foreign policies.

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SOVIET SUPPORTED ACTIVITY

- More active infiltration of key ministries and nongovernmental organizations.
- 2. Communists collaborate with extreme nationalist anti-Western elements.
- Propaganda media and "fronts" very active; advertising bloc aid and policies.
- 4. By means of propaganda, strikes seek to disrupt cooperation with West e.g. aid programs, stabilization schemes, "monopoly" investment, etc.
- Diversionary agitation for "vigilance" against imperialist agents and for solidarity in "national liberation front".
- Agitation begun for agrarian reform, nationalization to develop the "class struggle".
- Pressure to remove all restrictions on activities of pro-Communist elements e.g. "peace partisans", left wing editors, etc.

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IV APPROACHING CRISIS A

CHARACTERISTICS 1. Ruling party splits into

- splits into factions, new parties form or merge with opposition.
- Increasing restiveness among key social groups e.g. military, students, street crowds.
- 3. Economic dislocations dramatize government shortcomings.

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KEY SOVIET OBJECTIVES

Carry forward previous objectives and, in addition:

- 1. Exacerbate and exploit crisis.
- 2. Immobilize or destroy anti-Communist nationalist elements.

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OFFICIAL SOVIET STATE ACTIVITY

- Continued efforts to saturate country with delegations, trade and aid programs, gestures of friendship, etc.
- Diversionary effort to assure country of Soviet non-interference and to alarm it about "imperialist" plans for intervention.
- Where possible, subtle pressure to secure ouster of key anti-Communists.

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UNOFFICIAL SOVIET SUPPORTED ACTIVITY

- "Fronts" and Party active in encouraging opposition and spreading anti-Government propaganda.
- "Evidence" uncovered compromising important non-Communists and Western governments.
- 3. Party militants organize for action.
- 4. Tests of strength between CP-led mass organizations and nationalists.
- Struggle for control of key ministries and organizations enters crucial phase.

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PHASE OF NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

V UNSUCCESSFUL RESPONSE BY LOCAL GOVERN-MENT: ALTERNATIVE I A

COUNTRY CHARACTERISTICS

- Regime overthrown by Communist supported opposition.
- Country on verge of civil war.
- Weak regime rules by balancing Communists and nationalist opponents.
- 4. General breakdown of administration and economic dislocation.
- 5. Anti-Western prejudices given free rein.

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KEY SOVIET OBJECTIVES

- Develop intimate ties with new government.
- Reassures neighboring states of continued Soviet benevolent interest.
- 3. Assist local Communists in increasing influence in government.

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OFFICIAL COVIET STATE ACTIVITY

- Deter the formation of opposing internal or external coalition e.g. by propaganda smokescreen stressing "imperialist" intervention and plots against the revolution, criticizing measures against "patriots", denouncing leading anti-Communists.
- Gestures of support for new government e.g. statements, delegations, agreements.
- Warnings against outside intervention and implied willingness to fight to prevent it e.g. statements, demonstrations, talk of "volunteers", troop maneuvers.

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UNOFFICIAL SOVIET SUPPORTED ACTIVITY

- Arrival now (if not earlier) of Soviet agents, including third party nationals; plans for seizure of power move ahead.
- Clandestine assistance to CP-led mobs or "peoples armies" e.g. by money, advice, possibly arms.
- Actions and propaganda to maintain atmosphere of terror and confusion.
- 4. Bitter effort to destroy uncooperative officials in key jobs by framed evidence, even murder.
- Efforts to persuade local leadership that it needs Communists to remain in power and save own lives.
- 6. World-wide "front" agitation for "hands off" of country X.

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VI SUCCESSFUL RESPONSE BY LOCAL GOVERN-MENT: ALTERNATIVE II COUNTRY CHARACTERISTICS

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1. Regime pulls self together.

2. Strong measures taken to repress Communists.

3. Anti-Western posture modified e.g. overtures for Western assistance.

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KEY SOVIET OBJECTIVES

 Reestablish relations of confidence with the regime and other countries in the area.

2. Prevent West from capitalizing on situation.

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OFFICIAL SOVIET STATE ACTIVITY

 Disavowal of interference or any direct Communist link.

 Other efforts to mollify indignant officials e.g. correspondence between Heads of State.

 Trade and aid policies continue, if temporarily at a slower pace.

4. Official "explanation"
e.g. in propaganda, is
that "imperialists" conspired to discredit Communists and force State
to abandon neutrality.

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UNOFFICIAL SOVIET SUPPORTED ACTIVITY

 Communists proclaim loyalty to government and assert they will continue to defend the revolution against its enemies.

2. Communist leaders may go underground or escape to bloc.

 Reorientation of Party cadres and work follows "self criticism".